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Census workers begin face-to-face interviews

Several area residents can expect some official visitors this month.

Official census takers are in local neighborhoods going door-to-door throughout the area attempting to count those who have not completed the 2020 Census.

Residents who have not responded to the census can do so by phone, online or by mail, officials said. Those who have already completed the form are far less likely to be visited by the workers.

Last week, the national response was at 76.5 percent, while local participation differed. In our area, Inkster had the lowest response with 61.2 percent while in Plymouth Township, 87.6 percent of households had responded. Only 12.1 percent of census data was collected by personal visits nationwide with 64.4 percent responding online, by phone or mail.

The Census Bureau has provided face masks to every census taker and mandated that all census takers wear one. All census takers complete a virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing and other health and safety protocols before beginning their work in neighborhoods.

If no one is home when the census taker visits, they will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone or by mail. People are encouraged to cooperate with census takers and ensure that everyone who was living in their household as of April 1, 2020, is counted.

Census takers can be easily identified by a valid government ID badge with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date on the badge. To confirm a census taker's identity, the public may contact their regional census center to speak with a Census Bureau representative.

The U.S. Constitution mandates that a count of the entire population take place every decade. The process is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, part of the U.S. Department of Commerce. The data gathered from the decennial count is used to determine the number of Representatives each state will have in Congress. It's also used to redistrict state and county political maps, and the amount each state gets from various federal funding programs is tied to its census-determined population. It also impacts various aspects of life, such as funding for roads, bridges and other infrastructure; hospitals, emergency response, and data used in reports that support other funding mechanisms. The census data is used to allocate funding for education in communities, including special education, classroom technology, teacher training, after-school programs, and school lunch assistance. In the event of natural disasters, The U.S. Census Bureau produces timely local data that are critical to emergency planning.

Census takers work between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. seven days a week and will be conducting follow-up visits for non-responding homes through the month of September. The census takers are hired from local areas but should the census taker who visits a home not speak the language of the residents, they can request a return visit from a census taker who speaks the preferred language.

To complete the census, visit the website or call 1-844-330-2020. Telephone Display Device (TDD) is available for people who have hearing impairments,

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Municipal Census response rates

CITY OF BELLEVILLE	75.6 percent
CANTON TOWNSHIP	80.4 percent
CITY OF INKSTER	61.2 percent
NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP	74 percent
CITY OF NORTHVILLE	82.4 percent
PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP	87.6 percent
CITY OF PLYMOUTH	80.2 percent
CITY OF ROMULUS	72.2 percent
TOWNSHIP OF SUMPTER	61.3 percent
TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN	72.2 percent
CITY OF WAYNE	75.5 percent
CITY OF WESTLAND	76.2 percent

Annual Maybury Farm Corn Maze set to open

If it is September, the Maybury Farm corn maze must be open.

The traditional 10-acre corn maze will open at the community farm tomorrow and continue through Oct. 25.

Organizers said the annual maze will have a little different look this season as farm personnel and visitors will be following social distancing directives and will be wearing masks. This year, too, the number of guests in the maze will be restricted and tickets will be by reservation only. The advance ticket sales will allow farm officials to control the number of people in the maze per half hour. Tickets can be purchased on the website www.mayburyfarm.org.

This year, the family-friendly corn maze promises to be one of the best that Maybury Farm has ever had, officials said. The maze is carved into 10 acres of thick, lush corn that features a brand-new design created by the Ford Volunteer Corp. The maze will offer a challenge to adults and children alike and includes a scavenger hunt, a spokesman noted, and will take an estimated one hour to complete.

This year, the farm will also offer a 1-acre Mini Maze that is part of the 10-acre parcel and will take an estimated 20 minutes to complete for those who aren't quite up to the larger challenge.

The Maybury Farm corn maze is open until 9 p.m. Fridays through Sunday evenings, with the last wagon going out one hour before close. Intrepid maze enthusiasts can attempt to find their way through in the dark with just the moon to guide the way.

After leaving the maze, Parmenter's cider and donuts along with other treats will be available to purchase at the Maybury Farm General Store.

For parties of 25 can schedule a corn maze event on Tuesday-Thursday evenings at (248) 374-0200. Maybury Farm also offers bonfires available for those private parties.

The Maybury Farm Corn Maze is open from 5-9 p.m. Fridays; 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on

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Inkster - Romulus

Clerk advises caution with absentee ballots

Romulus City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg had some strong advice for those planning to use absentee ballots in the upcoming November election.

"Do not turn your ballot over to one of these groups to bring to city hall for you," she advised voters. "I strongly recommend against this. These groups have good intentions, but this has to do with protecting your ballot and accountability."

Craig-Bragg's comments came at a recent meeting of the members of the city council when she reminded residents that requests for absentee ballots need to be made only once. She said her office was receiving phone calls from some voters who were confused by several mass mailings suggesting they request an absentee ballot when they may have already done so.

> *If you already submitted a request for an absentee ballot before the primary election, you do not need to request another one, despite these mass mailings.*

"If you already submitted a request for an absentee ballot before the primary election, you do not need to request another one, despite these mass mailings," Craig-Bragg said. She suggested any resident with a question about the status of their absentee ballot request call her office and the staff would be able to help determine whether they were already on the absentee ballot request list.

"Before making a request, give us a call," she said. Craig-Bragg's office number is (734) 942-7540.

In response to a question from Councilwoman Kathy Abdo, Craig-Bragg said she expected that the absentee ballots would be mailed "in a couple of weeks." She explained that the county is required to provide the ballots to municipalities 45 days before the election but that currently "they are still grappling with the primary election." She said she expects the ballots to arrive in her office near the middle of this month and that processing of the absentee ballot requests could then begin.

She also cautioned voters about the potential delay in mail service for the ballots and suggested that voters complete the absentee ballot as soon as possible and mail it no later than the middle of October.

"If voters are not comfortable sending the ballot by mail, they can take advantage of the stainless steel box outside city hall," she said. Abdo noted that this is a secure ballot box and that voters can even drive up to drop in their ballots.

Craig-Bragg noted that there is another drop box in the lobby at city hall and a third in her office, all of which are secure. She said that her office even offers curbside services for those who may be disabled and a qualified person could come to the vehicle and accept their ballot to deposit for them.

"I know there are groups out there with good intentions," she said, "but no, no, no, do not turn your ballot over to any group to submit it for you. Protect your ballot," she advised.

Ellen Craig-Bragg

Marijuana permit lawsuit against city is dismissed

A lawsuit filed against the City of Inkster for denying a marijuana sales license was dismissed by a Wayne County Circuit Court judge last week.

The lawsuit was filed in 2018 by Suite B, Inc., which operated a medical marijuana dispensary in the city. A renewal of the license to sell medical marijuana was denied by the city that year in accordance with Inkster Ordinance 858 which prohibits anyone with a criminal record from operating a marijuana facility in the city. One of the Suite B partners had a misdemeanor crime on his record at the time of the application for a renewal.

Suite B, Inc. sued the City of Inkster, former Mayor Byron Nolen and Charles Nolen, alleging impropriety in the denial of the license renewal. That lawsuit was dismissed by Circuit Court Judge Dana Hathaway Aug. 18. In the dismissal order, the judge said that the plaintiff (Suite B. Inc.) had not presented a genuine issue of material fact. The judge denied the request for costs and attorney fees in the legal proceedings.

"This is victory for the City of Inkster and for those who were wrongfully accused," said Byron Nolen, former mayor of Inkster.

"From the beginning we asserted that we acted properly and within the City of Inkster's ordinances to not grant the renewal of the license. It is unfortunate that it has cost over $100,000 in taxpayers money with this lawsuit. This lawsuit caused division within our city and a storm of misinformation during last year's municipal elections.

"Unfortunately, the loss of $100,000 in taxpayer money will have a direct impact on Inkster's finances," he said in a prepared statement. "I knew the allegations made in the lawsuit were for political gain."

Detroit Metro Airport to receive federal COVID funding

Officials at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Romulus received some good news last week.

According to U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters, the Department of Transportation (DOT) will be awarding $1,957,480 to Detroit Metro Airport. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant is supplemented by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act - which Stabenow and Peters helped enact - to support airports affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The funding will go toward infrastructure improvements including the purchase of two zero-emissions shuttle buses and associated charging infrastructure.

"This investment will make traveling to and from Metro Detroit safer and more efficient," said Stabenow. "Safe and reliable air travel will also help encourage businesses to invest in the region and create jobs."

"Detroit Metro Airport is a world-class airport and a major hub for logistics, transportation and commerce in Michigan and our country," said Peters. "I'm pleased to announce this grant, which will incorporate clean energy technologies for airport operations."

More information on the Department of Transportation Grant program can be found at http://www.dot.gov/grants.

Census

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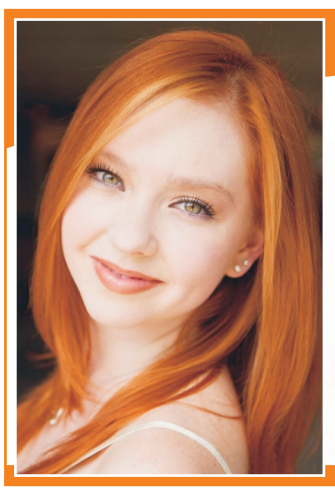
simply call 844-467-2020.

Responses to the census are kept anonymous. They are used only to produce statistics. The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by law to protect the answers and keep them strictly confidential for 72 years.

Census takers will be in the area until Sept. 30.

The questionnaire, which can be completed online, by phone, or in paper form by mail, will ask how many people are living in the household, what type of property it is, and each resident's name, gender, and age. The census will not ask for a person's Social Security number, bank account number, credit card number, immigration status, or for donations.

For more information, go to www.2020census.gov.



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ORDINANCE NO. 2020-004
CITY OF ROMULUS
APPENDIX A - ZONING
AMENDMENT 1.247

An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by conditionally rezoning certain property from RC, Regional Center to M-1, Light Industrial.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Amended Zoning Ordinance.

SECTION 1: To conditionally rezone 60± acres of property, Parcel ID #80-038-99-0002-702 located on the north side of Smith Road east of Vining Road, from RC-Regional Center to M-1, Light Industrial

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ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council at the City of Romulus this 23rd day of March, 2020.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the City Council of the City of Romulus at a regular Council Meeting held in the City Council Chambers in said City on the 23rd day of March, 2020.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Romulus City Clerk

Introduced: March 9, 2020
Adopted: March 23, 2020
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WAYNE - WESTLAND

City controller selected for leadership academy

City of Westland Controller Devin Adams has been selected to attend the prestigious 2020 Crain's Leadership Academy.

Adams has served as the Westland controller/purchasing director since December of 2012. He holds a bachelor's degree in finance from Western Michigan University and is currently pursuing his master's degree in business administration at Wayne State University.

Crain's Leadership Academy offers the best of personal development, professional growth, leadership exposure and civic outreach through discovery sessions and guest CEO speakers, according to a prepared statement from the city. High performers are nominated by their CEO to participate in this exclusive program for advancing professionals poised for leadership positions within their organizations. This year the program will specifically focus on resiliency and how to navigate a leadership role in turbulent times.

> *"He has demonstrated constant professionalism and dedication to his position and has taken on increasing levels of responsibility with ease."*

"Devin has been an incredible asset to our team for the past eight years. He has demonstrated constant professionalism and dedication to his position and has taken on increasing levels of responsibility with ease," commented Mayor William R. Wild. "He has already demonstrated an immense level of professional growth and it was my honor to nominate him for this program which will allow him to take his leadership skills to the next level."

Since launching in 2015, the Crain's Leadership Academy has become a sought-after, energizing and impact-driving program within the Crain's Academy suite of programs. Now offered annually, the program is part-time and presented during five Friday sessions.

"I am very excited to participate in this prestigious program that has helped nearly 70 ascending leaders hone their skills since it was introduced in 2017," commented Adams.

"I look forward to collaborating with like-minded peers from a cross section of industries and organizations and bringing new skills back which will allow me to better serve the residents of Westland."

Devin Adams

Wayne to welcome Scarecrow Show to downtown

While scarecrows were originally designed to discourage visitors, those coming to downtown Wayne this month are expected to draw crowds to the area.

Wayne Main Street will again sponsor the Scarecrow Show throughout the downtown area this month. Community members will be able to register to participate in the event this year until Sept. 21. Those interested in participating can register by downloading an entry form online at downtownwayne.org/scarecrows or by registering in person at the Wayne Historical Museum at One Town Square during business hours. The entry fee for the Scarecrow Show is $20 or $15 for returning participants who already have a scarecrow frame.

Scarecrows will be on display throughout downtown from Sept. 26 through Nov. 6 and community members are encouraged to visit each of the installations, while exploring historic downtown. Residents and visitors will also have the opportunity to vote on their favorite scarecrows during a balloting and reception planned from noon until 3 p.m. Oct. 17 in Derby's Alley at 34924 W. Michigan Ave. The event will feature music as well as donuts and cider from the Dexter Cider Mill. The 2020 Scarecrow contest winners will be announced during the reception.

> *"Every year we have residents, organizations, and other businesses that create a unique scarecrow to be displayed in downtown Wayne."*

Launched by Wayne Main Street in 2011, the Wayne Scarecrow Show has become a signature event for downtown Wayne.

"Every year we have residents, organizations, and other businesses that create a unique scarecrow to be displayed in downtown Wayne. This event has become a staple of the city, something the residents look forward to," commented Wayne Main Street Executive Director Lori Morrow.

Founded in 2011, Wayne Main Street has evolved into one of the largest civic organizations in the city. Last year volunteers contributed more than 2,700 service hours to the community. In 2014 the organization was recognized by the Michigan Main Street Association as a Select-Level Main Street community.

For more information, visit downtownwayne.org.

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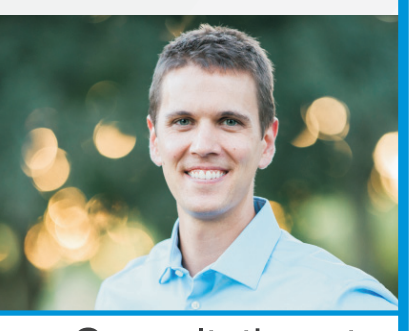

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Northville

Survey details residents' expansion opinions

City of Northville residents are in favor of new development in the community, as long as it preserves the small town character of the city while managing traffic and enhancing pedestrian options, according to a recent planning commission survey.

During a recent virtual meeting of the Northville Planning Commission, City Planner Sally Elmiger presented the results of the Master Plan Update survey which was developed to learn more about residents' impressions of Cady Street, Northville Downs racetrack and South Center Street.

Among the findings, the majority of respondents want to daylight the river that lies underneath a section of the Northville Downs property, expand the footprint of downtown, and add more public parks. In the commercial section, respondents said they want to see more restaurants, retail businesses, bars, brew pubs and entertainment venues. Among positive infrastructure improvements, respondents are in favor of streetscapes that have trees, lighting and attractive landscaping. They want traffic to be well managed with an infrastructure plan that can accommodate higher volumes while remaining safe for residents, pedestrians and bicyclists, according to Elmiger's presentation.

The majority of respondents said they want new development to blend seamlessly with the surrounding areas, maintain or enhance walkability, develop a street/sidewalk system that works well for both vehicles and pedestrians, and have public spaces for use by all citizens.

Most respondents want to see Cady Street feature commercial and mixed-use buildings, and arts and entertainment venues.

> *The majority of respondents said they want new development to blend seamlessly with the surrounding areas.*

They would like to see parks and public spaces along with detached single-family residential and arts and entertainment venues in the racetrack section. The majority of those who responded want to see residential development - single-family (attached and detached) and multi-family in the Cady Street area.

The study was conducted during a nine-week period, beginning in mid-June. In total, 1,000 people responded. Respondents were asked if they were from the city (city residents, business owners, property owners, or employees of city businesses), or from outside Northville in an effort to aggregate any difference in opinions between the two groups. Fifty-seven percent of respondents were city residents, 6 percent city business owners, and 8 percent employees of city businesses. Thirty-four percent were from outside the city.

A comparison between the two groups indicated that there was no significant difference (5 percent or more) for most questions. Based on that comparison test, planning commissioners expressed confidence that the voices of city residents and business owners who responded were accurately reflected in the overall survey results.

The Planning Commission members are hosting virtual open house sessions, via Zoom, on redevelopment of the Master Plan sub-areas for Cady Street, the racetrack, and South Center Street Participants will work in small groups to design sub-area plans.

Participants will receive a confirmation e-mail after registering. Register for 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEldeCrrz0sHtwNUIk6Ee9wyrHzHkq-yIfQ for 7 until 9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23 at : https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvcuqtqDgvE9Cqtb_moWeGoO47DrxHsWpq or 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. until noon at : https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEvdOqtpzIvE9ePOfOMv1HiPwYvtUIOPtd._

The Twist

New entertainment venue open downtown

Downtown Northville is offering a new twist on dining in the city.

Officials have approved a new social district in the community, allowing city streets to become an extension of the bars and restaurants themselves.

It's called The Twist and expands already-closed city streets to become an even larger district where visitors can walk the city streets with "cocktails to-go" from participating businesses. The district encompasses N. Center from Main to Dunlap and E. Main from Center to Hutton, with common areas including sidewalks, roadways, Town Square, and Old Church Square.

"Since the beginning of the summer, the community has been enjoying the new outdoor dining and shopping atmosphere and the addition of The Twist provides us another way to support the businesses and welcome residents and visitors back to town safely," said Lori Ward, director of the Northville Downtown Development Authority.

Street closures instituted earlier this summer allowed for bars and restaurants to expand outdoor seating areas into parking lots and certain streets. The Twist creates a whole district where visitors can take drinks to go and visit downtown.

> *The DDA remains committed to supporting our businesses and the community.*

Participating businesses include 160 Main, Browndog Parlor, Center Street Grille, Lucy & The Wolf, Poole's Tavern, Simply Wine, and Table 5.

"The DDA remains committed to supporting our businesses and the community," Ward said

"We worked with the businesses to implement a reopening plan for downtown Northville that provides an opportunity for all of the downtown businesses to reopen safely and with the maximum capacity allowed under the governor's executive orders."

Visitors are asked to wear a mask when not seated at a table or bar, and whenever possible if not eating or drinking. Lawn chairs are not permitted and audiences should not crowd around the performers or congregate in large groups.

Any alcohol consumed in the Social District must be contained in a special district cup with the Social District logo "The Twist" as well as the logo of the establishment that served the drink. An alcoholic drink, purchased from a participating restaurant, may be consumed at the restaurant where it is purchased or in the commons area but may not be carried into another restaurant or their designated outdoor serving area.

Drinks may not be taken into retail stores and visitors are not allowed to bring alcoholic drinks from home or purchased from other places into the Social District.

Visitors are urged not to gather in clusters. Close proximity increases the risk of spread of COVID, especially when laughing, talking loudly or yelling, and coughing or sneezing.

Promoted

Northville Township Police Ofc. Todd Seipenko has been promoted to the rank of sergeant, filling the vacancy left by Douglas Scoggins, who retired in May. Seipenko joined the Northville Township Police Department in 2019 after 25 years of service with the Plymouth Township Police Department. While with Plymouth Township, he served in a variety of assignments with his last 12 years as a sergeant.

Maze

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Saturdays and 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Sundays. The last wagon leaves for the maze one hour prior to close.

Admission to the corn maze is $10 per person and includes a tractor-drawn wagon ride through the farm. Children under 2 are admitted at no cost with an adult.

Maybury Farm is operated by the Northville Community Foundation; this fundraiser helps the foundation generate funds to feed the animals and support the work of the farm.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 8 Mile Road in Northville. Enter at the Maybury Farm sign, do not enter the state park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, visit www.mayburyfarm.org or www.facebook.com/mayburyfarm.

Hit-and-run driver claims life of 20-year-old resident

Northville Township police are continuing the investigation into a hit-and-run incident which claimed the life of a 20-year-old resident last week.

According to police reports, officers were called to an accident scene on Sheldon Road between Six Mile Road and Tournament Drive at about 11:38 p.m. Sept. 3. Callers reported that a pedestrian had been struck by a vehicle which then fled the scene.

Police and fire personnel immediately responded and the victim, Dominic Duhn, was provided advanced life support at the scene but succumbed to his injuries at the site, according to police reports.

Duhn, a student at Michigan State University, and a group of friends were skateboarding in the area when he was struck by the vehicle. Witnesses told responding officers that the vehicle involved was traveling from the area of Six Mile Road south on Sheldon Road prior to the crash. They described the vehicle as a white or silver sedan which may have damage to the passenger side windshield, according to police reports.

The Northville Township Police Department with the assistance of accident investigators from the Michigan State Police, is continuing the investigation and has requested anyone with information regarding the incident contact the detective bureau at (248) 349-9400.

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59. Auctions

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CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Board cancels 'take out' order for food truck

Members of the Canton Township Board of Trustees reached a compromise and agreed to a license extension for the Slows Bar BQ food truck in Cherry Hill Village.

Following complaints from several local restaurants regarding the failure of the food truck to pay taxes in the community and citing an unfair competitive edge, trustees had rejected the Slows' license extension request at the Aug. 25 meeting by a 4-3 vote.

Trustees received a letter from operators of six other brick and mortar restaurants in the community criticizing the $250 monthly license rate charged Slows, claiming that minimal fee gave the food truck an unfair financial advantage as their businesses bear "a much higher financial burden in operating costs and contribute more to the community."

Following that decision, Township Clerk Michael Siegrist called a special board meeting Sept. 1 at the request of trustees Steven Sneideman and Anne-Marie Graham-Hudak, both of whom supported the extension of the Slows license at the emergency meeting last week.

Slows will now pay $750 per month in licensing to operate on Saturdays and Sundays in Cherry Hill Village until Oct. 5, stipulations approved by a 5-2 vote of the board members during the emergency meeting.

Supervisor Pat Williams and Trustee John Anthony cast the no votes on the extension.

Williams said his no vote was based on the extreme hardships faced by all brick-and-mortar businesses by COVID-19.

District students set to begin virtual school year

Students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will begin school this year from home.

In an extended meeting recently, members of the board of education approved a plan to begin the school year virtually, for all students. Board members and administrators noted that the decision was based, in part, from information received in a survey of district families and input from the union which represents district teachers. The district had been planning on a blended system of in-person and virtual classes, but that decision was changed during the discussion of the safety protocols and dangers of COVID-19.

Superintendent of Schools Monica Merritt told the board members that it was imperative the decision be made so that teachers can begin preparations for virtual lessons. The plan was required to be submitted to the Wayne Regional Educations Service Agencies by mid-August.

"These are crazy, stressful times for all involved and we will be dealing with the unknown for some time to come," Merritt acknowledged. "We realize that some families may choose to leave Plymouth Canton Community Schools as a result of the (virtual start), and that that is their choice. But we are confident they will return to P-CCS once (normalcy returns)."

Merritt added that when the rate of infection and safety protocols allow for in-person classes, the district teachers, buildings and administrators would be prepared.

Plymouth Township firefighters man aerial ladder truck, one of several fire apparatus required to control massive industrial fire last week at an industrial facility.

Photo by Dan Phillips

Industrial fire destroys area building

Don Howard
Staff Writer

> *We're happy the business owner called 9-1-1 quickly to protect the exposure all firefighters experience and there were no injuries.*

Faulty equipment was determined as the preliminary cause of an industrial fire that destroyed a Plymouth Township manufacturing facility on Friday afternoon.

Fire officials said the building that housed Netshaped Solutions, located at 9075 General Dr. near Joy Road, was likely a total loss but there's a chance much of the heavy industrial cold forming and thread rolling equipment was saved from damage.

Township Fire Chief Dan Phillips said an employee working overtime first reported the fire at 3:45 p.m. According to Phillips. the business entity performs manufacturing operations that involve cutting oil and fluids, believed to be the main source of the fire.

In addition to the Plymouth Township Fire Department, mutual aid was summoned from Northville City, Northville Township, Canton, Livonia, Westland and Inkster Fire departments. Phillips said they had the fire under control by 8:30 p.m.

"We're happy the business owner called 9-1-1 quickly to protect the exposure all firefighters experience and there were no injuries," Phillips said.

An environmental cleanup crew was at the scene of the fire on Saturday afternoon.

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Belleville - Sumpter

Murder suspect granted time to find new attorney

The next court appearance for the man accused of killing his ex-fiancee and three other people in Sumpter Township last month has been delayed.

Judge Tina Brooks Green of the 34th District Court agreed to reschedule the court conference for Raymond Lee Bailey to Sept. 16. Brooks Green approved the delay to allow Bailey, 37, time to secure a different attorney, who will then need time to review the case.

During the brief video appearance last week, Bailey told the judge that he expected to meet his new attorney during the weekend. He was wearing a face mask and jail garb and is being held without bail in the Wayne County Jail.

> *Bailey reportedly told several people that he was responsible for the deaths by both text and telephone before he fled the area.*

"I had spoken with my family (Tuesday) and they said he would be here Saturday at 10 a.m.," Bailey told the judge.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Tara Hindelang told Green she has an "inordinate" amount of video evidence to send to Bailey's new attorney, who will replace Sharon Woodside.

Bailey is charged with four counts of first-degree murder and four counts of felony firearm in the Aug. 15 slaying of ex-fiancee Laura Tanner, 35; Sarah Grupa, 38, who was Tanner's sister; and brothers Forrest Sampson, 28, and Neil Sampson, 30. The four victims were shot with a handgun. The Sampsons and the two slain women were cousins.

Bailey reportedly told several people that he was responsible for the deaths by both text and telephone before he fled the area immediately following the shootings. His truck was found in Bay City the day after the killings and Bailey turned himself in to authorities that night. There had been a state-wide manhunt for him.

According to reports, Bailey had previously been charged with felony assault and misdemeanor domestic violence, but those charges had been dismissed in November and January.

Raymond Lee Bailey

Vote recount confirms incumbent supervisor's win

A recount of the primary election totals in Sumpter Township confirmed incumbent John Morgan as the winner in the race for township supervisor.

The recount, requested and funded by candidate Nelson Po, included nine precincts and all absentee ballots.

Initial ballot totals were reported as 676 votes for Morgan and 327 for Po, including absentee ballots.The recount resulted in a total of 594 votes for Morgan and a total of 237 votes for Po. That was a decrease of 82 votes for Morgan and a loss of 90 votes for Po, all within the acceptable margins of error, according to the office of the Wayne County Clerk.

The recount cost Po $250 per precinct for a total of $2,250 paid to the Wayne County clerk. In his petition for the recall he said he had "a reasonable chance of winning the election." The recount was open to the public.

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, center, visited McBride Middle School in Belleville last week and spoke with Principal John Leroy and Assistant Principal Laura Maher while maintaining social distancing protocols.

Special guest

Congresswoman visits area middle school

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (D-MI) drew attention to challenges faced by educators, students, families, and school districts as the return to learning begins during a visit to McBride Middle School in Belleville last week. Dingell highlighted both providing schools the resources they need to bring students back into the classroom safely and averting deep cuts to public education through state and local funding relief.

She saw preparations and distributions of meals and school supplies including Chromebooks for students to stay connected virtually. Dingell heard from teachers and school officials that are concerned about student's not having access to the internet, ensuring proper nutrition, and students keeping up with their school work at home.

"Each year, a new school year brings nerves, excitement, and challenges. COVID heightens those emotions for educators, students, and families," said Dingell. "Across Southeast Michigan, school districts are going above and beyond to ensure their students have the keys to success this school year. The need is significant, Dearborn Schools provides 70,000 meals a week to young people. This is important. It was great to see the community come together to distribute food, technology, and even school shirts to keep up spirit. But what our school districts need most is funding relief to avert deep cuts to public education and teacher layoffs."

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